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71 Crawford St.
Newark N.J.

Mr. Cum Posey.

Dear Cum;

I hardly know how to write this letter, there are so many things I hesitate to write, still I want to say them to you, and I know there is no chance of seeing you soon. The reason I am writing to you is because See has told me he can not make any decisions without you and I know Sonny will not decide anything without your OK. Therefore it seems to me the short cut is to talk to you directly.

First of all we have just closed our books for the year, and I find The Eagles did a gross business of \$61000.00. That is a lot of money anywhere. If we did that much, I am sure The Grays and some others did even more. All this to say the baseball is a really large business, and growing all the time. It is really high time we started to handle it like a big business. In spite of the large amount of business we did, the profits were not what they should have been in my opinion. In a gambling proposition like this, the profits should be large when the season is good to make up for the bad years that are sure to come, when the weather is bad, and when the team is bad etc. All this to say I am not at all enthusiastic about the business. If it was not for Abe I really think I would quit. However if we are to continue, I want to have an understanding with you. There is one thing sure, we Negroes had better get together, and stay together. It is hard enough to do anything at all, and much harder with some pulling one way and some the other. While we are busy hurting each other, the O-Fays are all pulling together, and are even lucky enough to have a few of the Negroes pulling with them.

Now first of all Gottlieb owes me a lot of money, he kept it out of the last game we played in The Stadium, and he is claiming a tect on the money we kept from the game in Washington. Now I want you to send me a letter and say, you and Sonny have decided that it was alright for us to keep the

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money, as we were ready to play the game. We will get together and get it straight, you can depend on that. If I can write Gottlieb that The Grays have agreed to the money he won't have that excuse. The too he took out \$542.72 for Satchell the last game we played there. I told him I would not stand for anything taken out for Satchell, but to date he has not sent it to me. Of course this \$542.72 was supposed to be divided between the four clubs, Kansas City, Stars, Cubans and Eagles. Isn't that a laugh. I don't know whether you know it or not but Chicago gave up that date in The Stadium to Kansas City which shows they are working hand in hand.

About the booking fees The Eagles owe The Grays, I do feel that they are alright, but I did not expect you to charge me fees, for several reasons, first because I gave The Grays back the money I took off the top of the game in Newark, and because I thought we were working together. However booking is no joke, and there is a lot of work attached to arranging these games. Tell Cum he made a mistake in his addition. I am enclosing the bill so he can see the mistake. Tell him to send it back to me. I am a little short right now, but will take care of it.

Now Cum I certainly hope you have some definite plans and know what you are about. This is no time to be stumbling along just mad. There must be some intelligent planning, and it should be well under way. Last year when The Yankee Stadium argument came up at the meeting, Gottlieb said "well I did not go after the stadium until December, and when I found no one else had been for it I took it". It is almost December again and no one has been for it this year to my knowledge. If we had the money in the league treasury that has been put into the o-fays pockets, we would be able to do a lot of things. I certainly do not want Gottlieb to have The Stadium tied up this year again for the season. I don't feel like having to gamble on promotion expenses every where I play, and home too. Teams should be able to go to the other parks and get a guarantee once in a while.

Don't promise your date in Detroit to anyone until you talk to me. I have a proposition to offer you on it that I am sure you will want. I see this is the way every body in the baseball works.

Is there any chance of you being east any time soon? When do you plan to call the meeting for the election of officers? I know a better man for chairman than your man, but I am going to go along with you, but I expect you to go along with me. I wish it was possible to elect officers soon but I suppose we will have to wait until the 1st of the year. By waiting so long it gives all these guys a chance to get their dirty work in. These park contracts should be taken care of soon. I know Saperstein is going to try and give you some competition with Detroit, I hope you can handle the situation. You fellows are going to be sorry some day you didn't let me have a little more voice.

Please answer this letter right away, send me the letter for Gottlieb, so I can make an effort to get my money from him. Also send me the bill back for booking fees.

Very Truly Yours